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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I am tired off all the fees on my local home phone and certainly do not want an additional fee on my cell phone. My local phone bill has a basic and minimum charge each month of \$26.14. Of this amount, a total of 9.84 involves fees and sales taxes - a whopping 37.6% of my total monthly charge. I especially hate the \$6.00 a month fee for network access, which is akin to the proposed \$1.00 a month extra charge on my cellphone. If people choose to live in rural areas, then it is their responsibility to pay the real cost of having telephone service to their area. That is not my problem! This whole pricing structure reminds me of a welfare situation. I pay my bills - let others pay theirs.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Dennis Sorrell
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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members